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Telephone conversation [REDACTED] 1 January 1957

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1. As a result of our telephone conversation this morning I called [REDACTED] regarding his present plans and attitude toward coming to work for us.

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2. He is still very interested in CIA employment. However, his present research assignment [REDACTED] will not now be completed until September at the earliest and possible later. He will be definitely available in 1957. Upon its completion, he wants to leave [REDACTED] although he has no specific plans or commitments. At present his inclination is to come back to ERA but he doesn't feel he can make a definite commitment until he is further along with his present project. In addition, he doesn't want to be put in process at this time if it would reveal [REDACTED]

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There is no problem with respect to his assignment in ERA. He would prefer a branch with a little broader research responsibility than I/AR, his old branch, but was definitely not unhappy there.

He will make a special effort to be in Washington this month to talk with us.

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In view of this conversation with [REDACTED] the employment action should be held up until we have had a chance to talk with [REDACTED] later this month.

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